

Bolton Neighborhood Association – 2017.05.16 – 18 present

7:06 called to order

Traffic safety, David presents: W A St. Public Safety Advisory Board working with WLPD to make meaningful change. Feels that Officer presence does not lead to sustainable solution. Stop sign on webb? Speed bumps have been discussed, not ideal, maybe speed cushions for emergency vehicles?

Kris mentions that adding parking on both sides of W A st may narrow the street to slow down traffic

Were swerve contours discussed? Yes, but first responders don't want that kind of installation.

Suggestion to start with stop sign at Webb and if that doesn't work, Bob spoke with TVFR who reportedly are ok with speed bumps with spaces for the wheels

Motion that the BNA request the city council assign Transportation Advisory board to address traffic safety, specifically speeding, on W A St within 60 days - such as putting a stop sign at webb or alternatives. Seconded. Amendment suggested and accepted ("within 60 days"). Vote: 16 in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

Minutes from april 18 2017, summarized then passed around for individual inspection

Discussion of old fire station. Peggy relays budget meetings, including capital improvement plan. Old fire station improvement apparently unfunded and unacted upon until 2023, recommended moved up to 2019. 2nd meeting indicates budget situation at city is locked in and there is no funding available, except possibly a bond measure to be voted on in 2019. Mayor Axelrod supports school and food pantry having homes, but there may not be support in council. Perry and Martin emphasized fairness in discussing a bond as possible opposition. Suggestion that neighbors voice position at the Wednesday budget meeting to support fire station as a community center.

Relationship with Robinwood community center brought up as a potential conflict. Solidarity with Robinwood recommended. Kris brings up potential for grants from philanthropic foundations.

Request by VP for additional headcount for BNA taskforce to bring up a plan to contact specific community centers or philanthropic organizations. Jack Murdock charitable trust mentioned as a potential supporting organization.

Point of order: action item is an update rather than detail. BNA **moves** to direct VP to contact Jack Murdock trust and Meyer Trust to engage on funding. So moved and seconded. Passes with preponderance.

Update on local pocket park: there will be a meeting june 14th at 6pm at the park site. Ken Wooster will be there, important that neighbors voice their positions at that meeting. Peggy reports \$50k in 2019, \$5k for 2020 to spend on park.

Resident's concerns:

Development on Burns street – will have a major impact on Bolton community. Looking at height and bulk of structure, it appears that it will allow a view down into backyards. Feels incompatible with residential neighborhoods. 50 feet height is allowed, but violates neighborhood plan – negatively impacts neighborhood. If building were 2 stories, would work. Requests that BNA continues conversation and votes on current proposed structure, and results are presented to council. J

Did architects & Miss Wright agree to work with us on height? Only one one section, at intersection of burns and cascade, may reduce that corner to 2 stories near Swans. BNA vote could inform Kim and Husband's decision to purchase property.

Motion that BNA goes on record regarding the 1575 Burns st. development that the position of the BNA is that "Three stories is too tall and imposing for that site and does not comport with the neighborhood plan." Seconded. Alma notes that the meeting was not properly announced. City did post Notice of the meeting, requests that city hold another hearing. Vote. 11 in favor, 2 opposed. Motion passes. Sent to Kim Wright.

Motion that "in that the city did not properly notice a required neighborhood association meeting to view the proposed 1575 Burns St. development, the meeting must be noticed by the city and the applicant present again before the neighborhood association." Seconded. Preponderance of Ayes, motion passes.

Neighbor conflict, what should be the process if the conflict escalates? Rebecca suggests possible county mediation service.

Does city have a 3rd party mediator? Perhaps not, Gail suggests talking to city manager, may not be a department issue. John Williams, community director may be correct contact.

David mentions that knowing if it were municipal or community development code issue, and that may inform the correct path. Nuisance municipal codes can be checked. David will put him in contact with lieutenant to discuss favoritism concerns.

Motion to approve the minutes. Seconded. Preponderance to accept, motion passes. Minutes accepted as corrected.

Gail reminds Waterfront development meeting June 6th at library, 5-8pm.

Ivy update by Steve: great progress in Ivy abatement.

Ice cream social not scheduled yet. Concert and social requested for next agenda

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM